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REMARKS

Claims 5, 7, 10, 15, 17 and 20 have been amended. Applicants respectfully request entry of the above Amendment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a). Applicants have made a minor amendment to each of claims 5, 7, 10, 15, 17 and 20 to correct a minor informality contained therein. It is respectfully submitted that entry of the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(a) is appropriate since (a) the Amendment is needed for proper protection of the invention and (b) no substantial amount of additional work is required on the part of the Patent Office. (MPEP § 714.16(a)).

In view of the above, it is respectfully requested that the foregoing Amendment be entered in the present application. If any fee is required for consideration of this paper please charge it to deposit account no. 50-1353.

Respectfully submitted,

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